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| For :        | <b>CHEMICALLY ASSEMBLED NANO-<br/>SCALE CIRCUIT ELEMENTS</b> | ) |                     |
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.